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SUBJECT: EXEMPTION FOR US FROM EC WINE CERTIFICATE
REQUIREMENT

REF: A) STATE 251403 (1973)

AGSMB) EC BRUSSELS 7132 (1973)

C) EC BRUSSELS 5863 (1973)

1. LESLIE FIELDING, THE EC COMMISSION OFFICIAL WHO
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SKETCHED OUT THE INFORMAL PROPOSAL FOR TEMPORARY

EXEMPTION OF US WINES FROM THE EC WINE CERTIFICATE REQUIREMENT
WILL NOT RETURN TO BRUSSELS UNTIL JANUARY 18. WE WOULD
NOT BE ABLE TO PUT TO HIM UNTIL THAT TIME THE QUESTION
IN REFTEL A.

2. DURING DISCUSSION OF A POSSIBLE EXEMPTION OF US
WINES THE SUBJECT OF US EXPORT RESTRAINTS HAS NEVER
ARISEN. IT WOULD, IN FACT, BE QUITE CONTRARY TO THE
WHOLE TENOR OF THE FIELDING PROPOSAL SINCE HIS PURPOSE
WAS TO DEVISE A SYSTEM WHICH WOULD ALLOW US WINES TO
CONTINUE TO ENTER THE COMMUNITY UNIMPEDED AND THEREBY AVOID
A POTENTIAL TRADE DISPUTE OVER COMMUNITY PROTECTIONISM IN
WINES.

3. THE MISSION IS RELUCTANT TO APPROACH ANY OTHER
COMMISSION OFFICIALS ON THIS QUESTION. THEY WOULD BE
LIKELY TO MISUNDERSTAND OUR PURPOSE SINCE THE IDEA OF
US EXPORT RESTRAINTS IS SO MUCH AT VARIANCE WITH THE
FIELDING PROPOSAL PUT FORWARD IN THE MEETING ON
OCTOBER 11(REFTEL C).

4. WE WILL CONFIRM WITH FIELDING WHEN HE RETURNS OUR
UNDERSTANDING THAT THE EXEMPTION PROPOSAL DOES NOT ENVISAGE
US EXPORT RESTRAINT. ASSUMIN THAT OUR UNDERSTANDING IS
CORRECT, HOWEVER, WE BELIEVE WE SHOULD BE IN A POSITION AT THE
SAME TIME TO INDICATE WHETHER THE US GOVERNMENT IS
SERIOUSLY INTERESTED IN PURSUING THE PROPOSAL.HARTMAN

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